

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

July 31, 2003

In re application of

Robert M. Carmichael

Serial No.

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For

ACTIVE CONTROL RELEASABLE BALLAST SYSTEM

FOR USE WITH DIVE EQUIPMENT

Examiner

Ajay Vasudeva

Group Art Unit

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A check in the amount of \$465.00, the fee required for the three-month extension, is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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